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BREAKING INTO JAIL

Daring Attempt to Release
Gang of Post-Office Burglars

One of the Would-Be Delivers
Shot in the Knee.

The Trio Captured by the
County Jailers.

LONG ISLAND CITY, L. I., Aug. 1.—A bold attempt was made early this morning to liberate a desperate gang of prisoners from the Queens County Jail, awaiting trial.

In this gang are Andrew Michaels, "Mitchell," John Kelly, John M. Frederick Weissman, and Ferdinand W. Thompson. They are all from New York City, and are now in Newtown, and are supposed to have robbed many postoffices and railroad stations on Long Island and in Westchester County.

William C. Kelly, brother of one of the prisoners, Arthur Edwards and John Flynn undertook the job of breaking into the jail and liberating the gang. About midnight they went to the jail and entered the jail yard by tearing out the boards of the wall on which surrounds the jail.

They had little trouble in reaching the iron barred windows where the prisoners are kept. They were successful; they all once proceeded to saw

men, and they went outside of the yard and took a pole from a tree to use as a lever to pry open the door. With this pole they pried open a crack of the window.

After pausing the jail heard noise in the yard and the voices of and he promptly notified Jailers W. W. Leonard and W. W. Leonard, who were on duty that night.

John J. Hawkins and McDougall hurried the yard and surprised the three who were at work.

They commanded the men to throw their hands and surrender. This refused to do, and the officers soon fired at them with their revolvers.

One of the men, who was named, fell, exclaiming, "I'm shot, boys."

The man proved to be James Flynn, who was a well known burglar.

The Jailers after a desperate struggle overpowered Edwards and Charles and took them to the jail.

They had in their possession a double saw, one frame and a burglar's jimmy.

They were locked up in separate

Miller said he was a saloon-keeper lived at 39 Attorney street, New York city, who had been shot by Harry, the jail physician, was found, have not been seriously wounded. Miller supposed to be well-known crooks, to have belonged to the post-office.

The members of the gang who were on the inside of the jail are supposed to have been informed how to liberate them, but at the time their plans tried to break into the jail, they failed in this attempt.

It is believed that had the three men succeeded in getting out, there was part of the plot to overpower the keepers, take the keys from them and liberate the prisoners.

The three men were arraigned before police court at noon.

James J. McLaughlin, counsel for the arm of Jailer McDougall. He said was thirty-nine years of age, a boatman, lived at 60 West Twenty-first street, New York.

Edwards said he was twenty-two years old, a boatman, lived at 421 West Twenty-ninth street.

Flynn said he had known Miller since 1934 and was in contact with him at Greentown last night. Edward Miller, 34, said he had been in contact with Flynn and said he did not know Miller. Flynn said he had been in contact with Miller's brother, Charles, over the arrest of the gang, and that Miller had been in contact with him since the arrest. Edwards to go to jail in county jail.

Neither of the prisoners would say more than this.

Justice Magistrate committed them to default of \$1,000 bail each for further examination.

An "Evening World" reporter called at the little lager beer saloon at 39 West 12th street, where the men were taken today and asked for Charles Miller. The men, rather good-looking and well-dressed, said they did not know Miller. The reporter asked where Mr. Miller could be found. The men said they did not know him. The reporter said he did not expect him home until late.

On being told the story of the arrest, the men said they were in the City and the arrest of Charles Miller. She uttered a piercing scream and

and a Mrs. Stimpson was sent to the witness. Stimpson said she knew something was wrong, but Miller's brother and brother-in-law got into trouble of some sort.

CUSTOMS HEARING RESUME

Examiner Leasor Corroborates Previous Testimony.

The special committee appointed the United States Treasury Department to investigate Custom-House affairs, summed its labors at the large office morning.

The only witness called before re was Edward J. Leasor, an examining officer of the Fifth Customs Department, who has had charge since 1915 of the Custom-House at New York.

There was nothing startling in his testimony, it being merely a corroboration of the evidence already given concerning the appointment of French gloves.

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